

Appl. No. : 10/712,212
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REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement on the above-referenced application under 35 U.S.C. §121 and requested the Applicants to elect the invention to be examined. The Examiner has required restriction of prosecution to one of the following identified groups of claims:

- I) Claims 1-16 directed to a semiconductor device, and
- II) Claims 17-34 directed to a method of making a semiconductor device.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Pursuant to the Examiner's request, Applicants hereby elect to restrict the above-referenced application to Claims 1-16 without traverse and cancel Claims 17-34 without prejudice. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §121. Hence, reconsideration of the above-referenced application in light of the amendments and remarks contained herein is hereby requested.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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